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1. OUR OFFER TO FACILITATE AIRLIFT OF UN EMERGENCY FORCE
UNITS TO MIDDLE EAST DOES NOT OF COURSE MEAN THAT WE WOULD
NOT WELCOME SHARING THIS BURDEN WITH OTHER COUNTRIES.
(SEE REFTEL AND REPLIES THERETO) INDEED, WE CONSIDER ON
PRACTICAL AND POLITICAL GROUNDS THAT IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE
AND IS INEVITABLE THAT THIS BE DONE. THUS, FOR EXAMPLE,
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IT MADE EMINENT GOOD SENSE FOR IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE UK

AIRCRAFT TO TRANSPORT UNFICYP UNITS FROM CYPRUS. ALSO, IN CERTAIN CASES TROOP CONTRIBUTING COUNTRIES PROBABLY WILL PREFER TO UTILIZE NATIONAL TRANSPORT OR TO REQUEST AIRLIFT FROM OTHER THAN THE US, E.G., FROM THE USSR.

2. WHILE WE WOULD NOT PRESUME TO TELL THE SECRETARY-GENERAL WHERE AND HOW TO MEET UNEF AIRLIFT REQUIREMENTS, AND WHILE WE IN NO WAY WISH TO DILUTE OUR STANDING OFFER TO PROVIDE SAME, IT PROBABLY WOULD BE USEFUL FOR YOU TO ASSURE THE SECRETARY-GENERAL THAT WE OF COURSE HAVE NO OBJECTION TO A SHARED AIRLIFT OPERATION AND THAT WE ASSUME HE IS SHOPPING AROUND FOR THE MOST RATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS. KISSINGER UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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